

Amendments to the Specification

Please make the following two (2) changes to the specification:

- 1) Please amend the paragraph beginning on p. 12, line 7 as follows:

To demonstrate the operation of the bonus reel embodiment, we turn to FIG. 14, which depicts the initial outcome of a three by five base array 36. As discussed above, a start-bonus outcome may be defined in any number of ways. For example, a start-bonus outcome in the base array 36 may require a winning pay line. If preferred, in addition to the winning pay lines, a start-bonus reel symbol 80 71 may be required either on the pay lines or anywhere on the array to trigger the bonus reel 35. This allows the game to be played without automatically triggering the bonus reel 35 every time a pay line is won.

- 2) Please amend the paragraph beginning on p. 12, line 15 as follows:

In FIG. 14, a start-bonus outcome has occurred in the base array 36 by virtue of the start-bonus symbol 80 71 in array position as well as the occurrence of winning pay lines 40 and 44. The winning symbols along pay line 44 are three cherry symbols. The winning symbols along pay line 40 include the three 7's. Consequently, the start-bonus outcome is triggered, causing the addition of the spinning bonus reel 35 to the base array 36 as shown in FIG. 15.